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In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.53, the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks is respectfully requested to accord the present application a serial number and a filing date as of the date these materials are deposited as Express Mail with the U.S. Postal Service.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the filing fee (\$710.00), and any additional fees due under 37 C.F.R. §1.16 and §1.17 during the pendency of this application to our Deposit Account No. 02-2548.

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